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Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections

Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly decision 42/450, the members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination are nominated by the Council and elected by the Assembly.

2. The membership of the Committee in 2017 is as follows (the term of office expires on 31 December in the year indicated):[1] Argentina (2018); Armenia (2017); Bangladesh (2019); Belarus (2017); Brazil (2017); Burkina Faso (2017); Cameroon (2017); China (2019); Cuba (2017); Egypt (2019); Equatorial Guinea (2017); Eritrea (2019); France (2018); Haiti (2019); Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2017); Iraq (2017); Italy (2017); Namibia (2017); Pakistan (2017); Peru (2018); Portugal (2017); Republic of Korea (2019); Russian Federation (2018); Saudi Arabia (2017); Senegal (2019); Ukraine (2017); United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2017); United Republic of Tanzania (2018); United States of America (2017); Uruguay (2017); Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (2017); and Zimbabwe (2018).

3. The General Assembly, at its seventy-second session, will be called upon to elect 20 members, on the nomination of the Economic and Social Council, to fill the vacancies in the Committee that will occur on 31 December 2017 upon the expiration of the terms of office of the following members: Armenia, Belarus, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cuba, Equatorial Guinea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Italy, Namibia, Pakistan, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

4. In accordance with General Assembly decision 42/450, the vacancies are to be filled as follows:

(a) Four members from African States;

[1] There are two vacancies for Western European and other States, for members whose terms of office would begin on the date of election; one would expire on 31 December 2017, and the other would expire on 31 December 2018.

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(b) Four members from Asia-Pacific States;

(c) Three members from Eastern European States;

(d) Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(e) Five members from Western European and other States.

5. By its decisions 2017/201 C and D and 2018/201 B, the Economic and Social Council nominated the following 17 Member States for election by the General Assembly at its seventy-second session for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018: Belarus, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chile, Cuba, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Pakistan, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

6. The geographical distribution of the nominated Member States is as follows:

(a) African States (four vacancies): Botswana, Burkina Faso and Cameroon;[2]

(b) Asia-Pacific States (four vacancies): India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan and Pakistan;

(c) Eastern European States (three vacancies): Belarus, Bulgaria and Republic of Moldova;

(d) Latin American and Caribbean States (four vacancies): Brazil, Chile and Cuba;[2]

(e) Western European and other States (five vacancies): Germany, Portugal, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.[2]

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[2] The Council further postponed the nomination of one member of the African States, one member of the Latin American and Caribbean States and one member of the Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020.